The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003— CONFERENCE REPORT

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 4628, the intelligence authorization; that the conference report be considered and agreed to; the motion to reconsider be laid on the table; and that any statements relating to the conference report be printed in the RECORD, without intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The conference report was agreed to. (The conference report is printed in the House proceedings of the RECORD of November 14, 2002.)

Mr. REID. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

RECESS SUBJECT TO THE CALL OF THE CHAIR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate be in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:12 p.m., recessed subject to the call of the Chair and reassembled at 8:11 p.m., when called to order by the Presiding Officer (Mr. BARKLEY).

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I appreciate very much, first of all, the patience of the Presiding Officer. We are sorry that in your first few hours in the Senate you have had to spend so much time here when we have not been doing a lot, but it is necessary that you are here, and we appreciate very much your patience, as I have indicated.

Mr. President, it is my understanding that we are not in morning business. Is that right?

The PRESIDING OFFICER. That is correct.

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that we now proceed to a period of morning business with Senators allowed to speak therein for a period not to exceed 5 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

TRIBUTE TO SENATOR JEAN CARNAHAN

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to my distinguished colleague from Missouri, Senator Jean Carnahan. After losing her husband and eldest son in a tragic plane accident, Missouri called upon Mrs. Carnahan to fill the remainder of her husband's Term. Senator Carnahan answered the call of duty and did it with a fair, courageous hand.

Senator CARNAHAN was Missouri's first member of the Armed Services Committee in over 25 years. She also served on the Small Business Committee, the Governmental Affairs Committee, the Commerce Committee, and the Special Committee on Aging.

Senator CARNAHAN made a strong economy her top priority. Her ability to secure defense projects for Missouri and safeguard funding for family farmers hurt by flooding and drought clearly shows Senator CARNAHAN's desire to bolster Missouri's economy, provide good jobs for Missouri workers, and support our Nation's effort in the war against terrorism.

Senator Carnahan also knew that a highly skilled workforce required equal educational opportunities. Her Quality Classrooms Amendment allowed local schools greater flexibility in deciding how to utilize Federal dollars. She also worked to secure over \$1.3 million for programs boosting postsecondary education assistance to low-income students. These initiatives illustrate Senator Carnahan's deep commitment to a better education and a brighter future for all Missouri students.

Filling the seat of her late husband, Senator Carnahan led with dignity and courage as Missouri's first female Senator. She took office at a time of personal loss and hardship, yet prevailed and proved to be a strong leader for Missouri. I would like to join my colleagues in wishing Senator Carnahan and her family the very best in the future.

TRIBUTE TO SENATOR PHIL GRAMM

Mr. BUNNING. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to my good friend and colleague, Senator PHIL GRAMM.

Without Senator Gramm, none of us would ever know who Dicky Flatt is. We would not know nearly as much as we know about Texas A&M as we do. And we would probably still be trying to repeal Glass-Steagall.

I met Senator GRAMM on a number of occasions when I was a Member of the House of Representatives, but I did not really get to know him until I joined that Banking Committee in January 1999, when he was the chairman.

Senator Gramm's first order of business was to finally pass a repeal of the Glass-Steagall banking law. I had

worked on this same repeal during my first term in the House, 12 years earlier, and I know many others had been working on this effort for much longer than that. But it was Senator GRAMM's dogged determination that finally pushed the ball over the goal line and brought our banking laws into the 21st Century.

I won't bore everyone by going into a long list of Senator Gramm's other legislative accomplishments; they are too numerous to mention, but I would put him right up there with a small group of other senators who have had the greatest impact on the Senate in the past century.

Outside of our working relationship, I have also gotten to know Senator GRAMM, and his lovely life Wendy, very well over as friends.

I would also like to tell a little story about how Senator GRAMM's unselfishness greatly assisted me when I was in a tight spot. Everyone in this body remembers the anthrax attacks of last year. As a resident of the Hart Building. I was one of those who was forced to find other space when the Hart building was closed. The Architect of the Capitol, the Senate Superintendent and the Rules Committee did a great job, under very trying circumstances, of finding space for everyone. But there were about fifty offices that were relocated so space was tight. My staff and I were sitting on top of each other down in EF-100 underneath the back steps of the Capitol.

We were glad to have the space. But it wasn't much more than a glorified broom closet.

Well, Senator Gramm heard about my predicament and very graciously let me use his Capitol hideaway office until the Hart building was reopened. He only asked that I did not "trash the place and leave empty whiskey bottles on the floor." I can assure the Members of the Senate and the people of the Commonwealth of Kentucky that I followed his instructions.

I am also fairly confident that as much as I appreciated the kind gesture, my staff appreciated the fact I had somewhere else to go even more. It is not just Members who will miss Senator GRAMM, but staff as well.

We will miss his leadership, but I think we will miss his courage even more. Senator GRAMM is wiling to take unpopular stands. He is willing to lose a vote 99–1. He is willing to keep the Senate in all night to fight for what he believes in, no matter how unpopular that stand may be.

One example that stands out clearly in my mind was at the beginning of the debate on the Clinton health care bill. Many don't remember now, but when we first started working on that issue in Congress, President Clinton had a lot of momentum and it looked like only a foregone conclusion that he would get some sort of bill passed. Those of us who didn't the President's proposal really felt like we were swimming upstream.